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MR. CONGER'S REPORT

Conference as to Execution of Chinese Notables.

THE CONCLUSION ARRIVED AT

Will Demand Capital Sentences, but Expect Commutation.

POSTHUMOUS HONORS

The State Department has received the following report from United States Minister Conger of the progress of the negotiations at Peking between the foreign ministers and the Chinese government, dated the 6th instant:

"The foreign ministers held a conference yesterday (the 5th) with the Chinese plenipotentiaries, and presented the difficulties in the way of the execution of the three Chinese notables, Prince Tuan, Prince Lan and General Fung Fuh Siang. They gave assurances of the execution of Chuang and Yu Hsien, but urged leniency for the others, begging that the court be not placed in a position too difficult. The foreign ministers have agreed to demand capital sentences for Tuan and Lan, but with the expectation that it will be commuted to exile. They demand the death penalty for the others also mentioned in the decree—Yu Hsien, Chin Liu and Hsu-Cheng-Yu, the last two being now prisoners to the Japanese at Peking. Posthumous honors are also demanded for the four members of the tsung li yamen who were executed."

The Posthumous Honors.
It is said at the State Department that the last named honors are peculiarly Chinese. The four members of the tsung li yamen referred to were strong sympathizers with the foreign element, and their earnest pleas with the court for moderation in the treatment of the legation and the missionaries brought about their execution upon the demand of the Chinese government. In Mr. Conger's dispatch, a profound impression will be produced by a royal decree according posthumous honors to these victims. It will go much further than fully restoring them in the Chinese mind. The personality of the Chinese who the minister has mentioned, and who were punished was fully described in the Associated Press cablegrams of yesterday's date from Peking.

THIRTY DENTAL SURGEONS.

The New Army Will Have Its Teeth

With the approval of the Secretary of War, Surgeon General Sternberg has arranged for the immediate appointment of thirty dental surgeons for service in the army, in accordance with the provisions of the new army law. These surgeons will be employed as contract dental surgeons under the terms and conditions applicable to army contract surgeons. They must be graduates of standard medical or dental colleges, trained in the several branches of dentistry, of good moral and professional character, and are required to pass a satisfactory professional examination.

One provision of the act is that three of the dental surgeons employed shall be first appointed by the surgeon general with the approval of the Secretary of War, with reference to their fitness for assignment, under the direction of the surgeon general, to the special service of conducting the examinations and supervising the operations of the others. Under this provision the Secretary of War has designated the following dental surgeons to be members of an examining board to examine applicants for appointment as dental surgeons: Dr. F. S. Marshall, of Chicago and Dr. J. H. T. Oliver of Indianapolis. Another member is yet to be appointed.

The board will hold its first session on the 11th instant. There are several hundred applications for these places and there remain but twenty-seven appointments to be made. It is the intention of the surgeon general to select one applicant from each state for an examination. In this way a large number of applicants who could not be appointed under the limitations of the law will be spared the trouble and expense of the trip to Washington from their homes.

LINE OFFICERS ELIGIBLE.

Vacancies in the Staff Not Confined to Appointments of Volunteers.

According to the officials of the War Department the provision of the army reorganization law which authorized the President to fill original vacancies in the grade of captain in the quartermaster and subsistence departments by the appointment of officers of volunteers commissioned in those departments since April 21, 1898, is simply supplemental to existing law, under which such vacancies may be filled by detail from the first lieutenants of the line. It had previously been held by certain officials that the new law confined the appointments to volunteer officers in the two departments. The Secretary of War has decided, however, in favor of the view expressed above, that the appointments may be made by detail from the line or from among the volunteers, according to the interests of the service.

PROGRESS ON WARSHIPS.

Statement Issued by Admiral Hichborn as to the Work.

A statement issued by Admiral Hichborn, chief constructor of the navy, shows that rapid progress is being made in the construction of nearly all the vessels now building at shipyards throughout the country. The big battleships Maine and Missouri have each advanced 25 per cent toward final completion since January 1, and the Ohio and Illinois, which latter is 88 per cent finished, have advanced 1 per cent each. The sheathed protected cruisers all stand below the 50 per cent mark, but an advance of 7 per cent in the cases of the Nevada, building at the Bath Iron works, is the nearest to completion, standing at 70 per cent. The other three are more than half completed.

All of the torpedo destroyers, with the exception of the Stewart, which stands at 47 per cent, are over half completed, and the Dale, Decatur, Lawrence and MacDonough are set down at 39 per cent completed. Over 40 of the fifteen torpedo boats now building eleven are more than 50 per cent completed. Fast work is being done on the seven submarine torpedo boats, an advance of 7 per cent in the cases of the Adger and Moccasin, 5 per cent on the Porpoise and 4 per cent on the Grampus.

Japanese Officials Investigating.

J. Kluebe, minister of agriculture and commerce of Japan, and Special Commissioner Inouye called at the State Department yesterday, in company with some of the officials of the Japanese legation, in pursuance of an inquiry with which they are charged by the Japanese government respecting the appointment of the department of State in collecting and disseminating information from the whole world relative to commerce and industry. The department officials are extending every courtesy to the distinguished visitors.

THE SHERIDAN AT 'FRISCO

SHE HAS ON BOARD THE 37TH VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

Congressional Action Necessary to Transport the Men to Their Homes.

A telegram was received at the War Department this morning from Colonel Cheatham, commanding the 37th Volunteer Infantry, reporting the arrival of the transport Sheridan at San Francisco yesterday with twenty-seven officers and 641 enlisted men of that regiment, and that there were left in Manila 130 men, 21 officers on detached service and 10 sick men.

General Shafter says the Sheridan had the following military passengers: Colonel Barber, adjutant general's department, Cavalry; Cheatham, Major Kocher, Captains Van Leer, Givens, Clark, Moran, Hanna, Flaherty, Erickson, First Lieutenants Bright, Patton, Ragsdale, McLeister, Murphy, Auswold, Young, Sinks, Pilcher, Second Lieutenants Baskette, Aiken, O'Brien, Storek, Miles, Cass, Walker, Potter, McIntyre and 641 men. The 37th Infantry Volunteers. Lieutenant Colonels Keller, 22d, and Joselyn, 25th Infantry; Major Edie, surgeon; First Lieutenants Marshall, 1st, and 2d, 20th Infantry; Second Lieutenants Wilson, 32d; Bowdell, 33rd; Caldwell, 42d Infantry; Chaplain Pierce, 3d, 20th Infantry; discharged soldiers, twelve detached men, forty-four military convicts, 23 sick, thirteen discharged soldiers, six insane soldiers.

The casualties during the voyage were as follows: Private Nelson Larbie, F. 37th Infantry, 29th ultimo, chronic dysentery, general and local; Private William R. Anderson, A. 4th Cavalry, 30th ultimo, chronic dysentery, cardiac asthma; Private Fred Whitesell, B. 34th Infantry, 31st ultimo, chronic dysentery, cardiac dilation; Private Benjamin Taylor, D. 37th Infantry, 5th instant, malarial fever, lobar pneumonia, left lower lobe pulmonary edema; Private Hardie M. Wainwright, E. 42d Infantry, 6th instant, chronic dysentery and pulmonary tuberculosis.

TO PROHIBIT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Bill Affecting Corporations - To Investigate Disfranchisement.

The Senate committee on privileges and elections today reported unanimously Senator Chandler's bill to prohibit corporations engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, national banks or corporations organized under the authority of Congress, from contributing to political campaigns. An amendment was made making the maximum penalty for a corporation \$5,000 and \$1,000 for each officer, stockholder or employee.

By a party vote the committee reported an amendment to the bill, which would appropriate \$25,000 to enable the Attorney General to investigate alleged disfranchisement of voters in certain states.

THE FREEDMAN'S BANK.

Bill to Close Up Its Affairs Introduced in the House.

Mr. Lamb has introduced a bill in the House to close up the affairs of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company. The bill provides as follows:

"That the controller of the currency, who, under the act approved February 21, 1881, is commissioner of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, be authorized to close up the affairs of that company.

"That any claims for the 62 per centum of dividends already declared which are not paid by the company before June 30, 1902, shall be forever barred, and when all claims presented on the date named are settled, that the commissioner shall convert all remaining assets of the company into cash and turn the same over to the trustees of the Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia, for the benefit of that institution.

The bill was referred to the committee on banking and currency.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Jas. Lyford, the naval officer of the port of Boston, who is not connected with the probate of the will of the late Quartermaster General Batchelder, of which he is one of the executors.

Colonel J. W. Barlow, corps of engineers, is at the Elliott House on leave of absence.

Wm. S. Hall of the Pullman commissary department left Monday for two months' tour in Jacksonville, Fla.

Frank C. Gusevsky, who for the past six years has been connected with the firm of D. N. Walford, will leave today for St. Louis, Mo., where he will reside in the future.

Mr. W. Morgan Shuster, deputy collector of customs at Havana, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Shuster, at their residence, 1722 Q street. He is probably remain for the inaugural ceremonies.

FAVORABLE REPORTS MADE.

Mr. Wetmore today made favorable reports from the committee on the library on House bill 8067, to incorporate the National Society of United States Daughters of 1812, and on Senate bill 4142 for the purchase of a replica of the bronze equestrian statue of General Washington by Daniel Chester French.

The report accompanying the bill for the purchase of the replica of the bronze equestrian statue of Washington recites that French's statue of Washington stands in the Place d'Iena, near the Trocadero, in Paris. It is the gift of the women of America to the people of France.

MAY SAVE THE McPHERSON.

Quartermaster General Ludington said today that his latest information in regard to the transport McPherson, aground off Matanzas, is that the sea has subsided and that there is a fair prospect of saving the ship. Several tugs have been sent to her assistance, and if they cannot drag her into deep water a contract will be made with the Merritt Wrecking Company to save the ship, if possible.

COUNTER SUIT FILED.

In connection with the proceedings for maintenance filed yesterday by Lydia J. Gerren against Philip Gerren, the latter, through Attorney Campbell Garrison, today filed suit against the former, asking the court to annul their marriage contract.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Pressure for Army Appointments Still Continues.

EXTRA SESSION TALK RESUMED

Some Expression from Republican Leaders on the Subject.

MANY CALLERS TODAY

Army nominations continued to have right of way at the White House today, but there was a marked falling off in the number of visitors. There were a good many callers, however. Ex-Representative Oates of Alabama, Mr. Bidwell, collector of the port of New York, and eight or ten others sought the President in the interest of friends seeking places in the army. The congressional list included Senators Spooner, McCamach, Culberson, Dilliver, Carter, Ertchard, Butler, Nelson and Lodge, Representatives Wadsworth, Thomas of Iowa, Kerr, Grosvenor, Quarles, Kleberg, Roberts of Massachusetts, Babcock, Adams, Carmack and H. C. Smith of Michigan. Mr. Carmack made an appointment for a delegation from Memphis, Tenn., to call upon the President tomorrow, to invite him to attend the confederate veterans' reunion at Memphis in May next. This is the invitation that has caused so much comment among confederate veterans in the south.

Asking for a Navy Place.

Representative Baker of Maryland, accompanied by Rev. Dr. C. W. Baldwin, presiding elder of the Baltimore conference, called on the President with Rev. E. H. Lamar of Arlington, Baltimore county. Mr. Lamar wants to be chaplain in the navy, and his friends are urging his selection. The President has the matter under consideration.

More Talk of an Extra Session.

There was a revival of extra session talk among some of the President's callers today. Senator McComas, for instance, discussed the legislative outlook with the President and later declared that the situation now looked favorable to an extra session.

"I think that unless Congress moves faster than it is now doing an extra session is much more than a probability," said Senator McComas. "I think that the President is on the other hand, three or four prominent republicans were just sure that there would be no extra session. These were Senators Lodge and Spooner and Representative Grosvenor. 'I have never thought there would be an extra session, and I do not think so now,' said Representative Grosvenor.

Senator Spooner, who is the author of what is known as the Spooner Philippine bill, believes Congress will get through its work this session.

He Will Be a Judge.

Representative Pugh of Kentucky, who will probably be a federal district judge after July 1, was a caller. There seems to be little or no doubt of Mr. Pugh's selection. His chances are regarded as so good that there will be little opposition and few candidates. The President has known Mr. Pugh many years, and would probably make the appointment even if Mr. Pugh had not been recommended by the republicans of his state.

Senator Thomas Kearns of Utah called on the President in the interest of Major F. H. Grant. Major Grant commanded the Utah Volunteer Battery that was sent to the Philippines. He was present at the fall of Manila, and greatly distinguished himself. Later he attracted the attention of General Devine, who placed him in the corps of the fleet of small gunboats operating in the rivers around Manila. Captain Grant is a little over the age limit, and that bars him from nomination in the regular army, unless something can be done. Senator Kearns is endeavoring to overcome this obstacle.

Presidential Nominations.

The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: Thomas Frazer, registrar of the land office at Sacramento, Cal.; Will A. Newsum, receiver of public lands at Sacramento, Cal.; or Rogers.

To be judge advocate, with rank of major, Captain Edgar S. Dudley, assistant quartermaster, United States army (major and judge advocate of volunteers).

First Sergeant John Branninger, Troop C, 11th Cavalry, to be a second lieutenant.

A Monument to Lafayette.

R. J. Thompson, secretary of the commission that dedicated a statue of Lafayette to the French government on behalf of the government and people of the United States, was at the White House today. Mr. Thompson is pushing a plan for the erection in this city of a replica of this beautiful tribute to Lafayette.

Mr. Thompson says that it is probable that the commission will have about \$20,000 or \$35,000 left after it has paid for the statue of Lafayette, that is now being made in France. The statue will not be completed for eighteen months, and will then be unveiled in Paris. In the meantime it is believed that a reproduction of the statue and monument could be secured for \$50,000. The addition of not over \$20,000 to the funds that will remain with the commission will enable the statue to be erected in the White House grounds. The French government gave to the statue of Lafayette a splendid place in the Louvre that had been reserved for a monument to Napoleon. When the movement for the replica has been successful, as Mr. Thompson is sure will be the case, Congress will be asked to provide a suitable site.

FEDERAL BUILDING IN CLEVELAND.

Architects Selected to Submit Designs and Plans.

The Secretary of the Treasury today selected a number of prominent architects of the country to submit designs and plans for a new federal building at Cleveland, Ohio. The following are the architects who have been invited:

F. S. Barnum & Co., George F. Hammond, John Eisenmann, Lehman & Schmidt, Meade & Garfield and J. Milton Dyer of Cleveland, Ohio; H. C. Koch & Son, Milwaukee; Wicks & Wicks, Buffalo, N. Y.; Arnold V. Brunner, East New York; Cape & Stewardson, Philadelphia; Lombard & Roche, Chicago, Ill.; Jas. G. Hill and Totten & Rogers, associates, Washington, D. C.

Following architects have been selected as judges of the competition: C. A. Coolidge, Chicago, Ill.; T. C. Young, St. Louis, Mo.; J. M. Carrere, New York city; R. S. Penhaly, Boston, Mass.

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Merchant Tailors Elect Officers.

PHILADELPHIA, February 7.—The sixteenth annual convention of the Merchant Tailors' National Exchange came to an end today with the election of officers and the selection of Norfolk, Va., for next year's meeting. The new officers are: President, Emilio Twyfey, New York; first vice president, E. L. Blenheim, Kansas City; second vice president, F. J. Heiberger, Jr., Washington; treasurer, Samuel H. Spring, New York; and secretary, R. C. Notbom, Milwaukee.

Killed Wife and Himself.

NEW YORK, February 7.—Charles Arnold, twenty-three years old, of 152 West 106th street, shot and killed his wife Florence, twenty years old, today, in a house on West 107th street. Arnold then committed suicide.

ERIE TRAIN WRECKED

Five Persons Killed and Ten More or Less Injured.

ONE CAR WAS TELESCOPED

Accident Occurred Near Greenville, Pa., This Morning.

LIST OF THE CASUALTIES

GREENVILLE, Pa., February 7.—While running at high speed passenger train No. 5 on the Erie railroad, was wrecked near here today. Five passengers were killed outright and ten injured.

The dead—Unknown man, had ticket for Rushville, Ind., and postal card in his pocket addressed to the Adams Produce Company, Rushville, Ind.

Harry A. Hart, sergeant major, 10th Infantry, bound for Fort Crook, Neb.

Peter J. Curry, private, same home in Philadelphia.

Man about twenty-five, supposed to be Clarence Leek, Somerville, N. J.

Unknown man, still in the wreck.

List of the Injured.
Carmie Golligore, Carbondale, Pa., bruised.

Carmie Grecco, Carbondale, Pa., bruised.

Ivan Lester Smith, Canisteo, N. Y., badly bruised.

Joseph Kennedy, Springfield, Mass., left leg broken, cut and badly bruised, private, 10th Infantry.

Wm. D. Moore, 32 Lenox road, Brooklyn, left leg broken, cut about head.

W. F. MacGinnitie, Portland, Ind., badly bruised.

O. H. Simons, Kent, Ohio, brakeman, left leg broken, right leg bruised.

C. Henry, baggage master, Meadville, Pa., left leg broken, injured about chest.

B. A. Marsden, Philadelphia, seriously.

Leck, Somerville, N. J., seriously.

The injured were taken to Meadville hospital by special train.

The train was running very fast at the time and was derailed by the breaking of a strap at the rail joint. Where the accident occurred is a sharp curve and a very steep embankment. About forty feet below is the little Shenango river, and from the track to the top of the hill is about sixty feet.

Combination Car Telescoped.

The train was made up of mail and express cars, combination baggage and smoker and four Pullman coaches. The engineer had whistled for the Greenville station when the engine left the rails, followed by the mail car, combination car and one of the coaches. After running about a length of the train, the engine struck the mail car and almost buried itself. The mail car telescoped the combination car, and that was where all the fatalities occurred. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping. Many rescuers were quickly at work and Leck, who was taken as the first body was taken from the wreck.

Three Soldiers Among the Dead.

Adjutant General Corbin received a telegram today saying that nine soldiers of the 10th Infantry were in a wreck on the Erie railroad near Greenville, Pa., this morning. Three were killed, including the sergeant in charge, and one was badly injured. The remaining five were unhurt. This information came from Dr. A. T. Clark, the company surgeon, who was with the soldiers. He gave no particulars as to the circumstances of the accident, but said that the company had been ordered to march to the front of the line, and that the soldiers were killed while they were marching.

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

Senate Increase of Over a Million and a Half Dollars.

Senator Ladd today reported the naval appropriation bill with an increase over the House bill of \$1,601,000, making a total of \$78,630,573. The principal increases are: Coiler transportation, \$400,000; transportation and recruiting, \$55,000; depots for coal, \$300,000; naval station at Pearl harbor, Hawaii, \$150,000; naval station at Algiers, La., \$100,000; and the Secretary of the Navy authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation land for such station; for dry dock at Charleston, S. C., \$250,000, and all unexpended appropriations for the station at Fort Royal, S. C., naval station at Cavite, P. I., \$250,000; improvements for marine corps at Annapolis, \$85,000; Naval Academy, \$25,000. The Secretary of the Navy is directed to have the shores of the Naval Academy examined with reference to the establishment of a naval station with direct reference to the United States and the Nicaragua canal.

The naval station at League Island is changed to Philadelphia.

To all vacancies where there are not a sufficient number of candidates, the President is authorized to promote gunners and warrant officers.

Souvenir Medals Authorized.

The House committee on coinage, weights and measures today authorized a favorable report on a bill to authorize the coinage of souvenir silver medals for the Washington Monument Association of Alexandria, Va.

The medals, 200,000 in number, are to be struck by the Secretary of the Treasury, and the government is to be reimbursed for the cost. The medals will be sold "for the purpose of aiding in defraying the cost of a pedestal, and completing in a suitable manner the work of erecting a monument, dedicated to the memory of General George Washington, to be erected on the site of the old Association of Alexandria, Va., to commemorate the memory of General George Washington in his home town, the city of Alexandria, Va., as a farmer, a Mason, a fireman, a survivor and a citizen, on the centenary of his death, as a feature of the appreciation of the Congress of the United States for Washington as a citizen, and its desire to see his memory properly commemorated in his home town."

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WILHELMINA WEDDED

Holland's Queen and Duke Henry Married at The Hague.

BRILLIANT, IMPOSING CEREMONY

The Court Chaplain Pronounces the Nuptial Benediction.

CIVIL MARRIAGE PRECEDES

THE HAGUE, February 7.—The city today bore its most festive appearance. Vast crowds were in the streets early and trains poured in thousands from all parts of the country. The route of the royal procession to the Groote Kerk was decorated with large baskets of green plants, lighted with orange blossoms and white roses, tied in large white knots.

The weather, though fine, was intensely cold. The stands, the windows and the roofs along the line of the route to the Groote Kerk were thronged with people.

The civil ceremony of the marriage of Queen Wilhelmina to Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin was carried out at 11:30 o'clock a.m., in accordance with the program.

Immediately afterward the procession started for the church, headed by fifty hussars, the bride, bridegroom and queen mother, riding in a golden state carriage, drawn by eight horses. They were warmly acclaimed by the crowds assembled.

The church was reached soon after noon.

Court Chaplain's Address.

The court chaplain, Dr. Van der Vlier, standing before the bride and bridegroom, delivered an address. His text was from the fourth Psalm: "Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us."

"The feastal hour has arrived," said the pastor, "wherein the entire people has its share of delight. The prayer candidate in the text embodies the essential condition for lasting married happiness, which does not depend on external things, but on the disposition of the heart. The prayer for the light of the Lord's countenance seems to suggest some darkness, and it is certain clouds will show themselves at times in the conjugal heaven."

"This union which we today are celebrating has already demanded sacrifice. The husband has had to leave his country and people and the bride has had to leave the side of a dearly loved mother. In the future, too, be sure, the reverses of life will fall to your lot. Do not then forget the prayer of David: 'Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us.' It will be necessary for you, if you are to fulfill the duty of marriage, to fulfill the duty of love, in your mutual relations."

"In that relation man is the head and woman is the heart. The husband's prayer will also be your help when you have to bear your mutual burdens, for in marriage two sinners are united, each having his own faults. Finally, it is indispensable to the unity whereof you have been called."

The nuptial benediction.

"According to the command of God. 'These two shall be one.' Now, both love can form and preserve this tie. But if you wish this bond not to be loosened your hearts must be fused with prayer. 'Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us.'"

After the chaplain's address, and after the nuptial benediction had been pronounced, the bride and bridegroom exchanged gold rings, according to the Dutch custom, and the wedding party then proceeded to the reception room, attached to the church, where the queen tenderly embraced first her mother and then her husband. The queen mother, too, kissed the bride and the bridegroom.

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A gala wedding breakfast followed.

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